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If you do take the ADVOCATE, read and ponder over its contents and let us hear from you when you have anything to say to advance the interests of the Alliance. Help us, and we will help you.

St. Louis has been called the sleepy city but St. Louis is wide awake over this world's Fair business.

The esteemed Chicago Herald, replying to an inquiry about Kansas City, says: "No portion of Kansas City Mo. lies in Kansas." We hope that the person who applied to the Herald for information is satisfied. We assure him that the answer is correct. We can also assure him that no part of Canada lies in the United States.—*K. C. Times.*

Topeka had a mighty struggle to raise a fund for the reception of the "Deep Harbor" guests. The amount required was insignificant, most "measly" so, compared to the *ciclat* Topeka gains from the convention. Topeka is not prone to dissipation in this respect. The only occasions on which the Capital city ever becomes reckless in subscriptions to any sort of fund is when Marshall's band wants to go off on a "toot." Topeka resembles some business men we know who would like to get their advertisement in as a sort of sub head to a newspaper, in display type, at about 3 cents a line across the page.

"The plan is to make no regular democratic nomination this fall, but trust to a conglomeration of Democrats, Alliance men, whiskey malcontents, odds and ends generally."

We call especial attention to the speech of the Hon. Wharton J. Green before the North Carolina State Alliance, published in this issue of the *Advocate*. It is able, exhaustive and convincing, and it will do every alliance man good to read it. We would recommend it also as a wholesome tonic to some who are not alliance men. Mr. Green falls into the too common error of regarding the existing tariff as the sole cause of the trusts and combines, the iniquity of whose methods he so ably portrays, but aside from this we can find nothing in his speech that we cannot heartily endorse. While the tariff as it now exists is undoubtedly susceptible of much improvement in the interest of the people, yet we believe reformers make a great mistake in attributing to it evils for which other causes are unquestionably responsible. If our entire system of revenue could undergo revision, and the tariff be superseded entirely by a graduated

### The Reservoir Plan of Irrigation.

NEW CONSTITUTIONS READY.

### The First Sugar.

Medicine Lodge Cresset: The first sugar made at the Medicine Lodge works was run out on Monday and there are now about 20,000 pounds of sweetness at the factory. The work is not progressing as smoothly and rapidly as could be wished, but it is thought that everything will run regularly in a few days. The first sugar was exceptionally light and nice when it is considered that it is the first strike with entirely new machinery. The sugar expert expressed himself as highly pleased and thinks the future is bright.

B. H. CLOVER,  
Pres.

Kansas City Globe: There is one thing for which Kansas always works and her example is good. When the farmers call a convention to discuss some vital subject Kansas always sends an intelligent delegation. Her representation to the coming meeting of wheat growers are of the leading men in the state.

### THE WORK OF IRRIGATION.

Syracuse Journal: Major Powell, chief of the Geological survey and advisory member of the senate irrigation committee, says: "The work of the committee will be the preparation of a report upon the advisability of congressional appropriation for surveys in the arid district. There is not much doubt but that the appropriations will be made. I do not believe that congress will ever take in charge the construction of the ditches and reservoirs. Whoever does it when it is done, will revolutionize the west." The general government it seems to us is the party in interest, and we believe that the great work of reclaiming these desert wastes successfully accomplished would in ultimate consequences dwarf the Louisiana purchase of Jefferson or that of Alaska by Seward, the probable annexation of Canada, or the possible addition of Mexico. Why should not the government undertake it?

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